

Examiner-Initiated Interview Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
	10/647,365	STEPHENS, ROBERT D.	
	Examiner	Art Unit	
	N. Bhat	1764	

All Participants:

(1) N. Bhat.

(2) M. Lang PhD.
Status of Application: _____

(3) _____.

(4) _____.

Date of Interview: 4 August 2006
Time: _____

Type of Interview:

- ☒ Telephonic
☐ Video Conference
☐ Personal (Copy given to: ☐ Applicant ☐ Applicant's representative)

Exhibit Shown or Demonstrated: ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, provide a brief description:

Part I.

Rejection(s) discussed:

Claims discussed:

13 and 39

Prior art documents discussed:

None

Part II.

SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW DESCRIBING THE GENERAL NATURE OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED:

See Continuation Sheet

Part III.

- ☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview directly resulted in the allowance of the application. The examiner will provide a written summary of the substance of the interview in the Notice of Allowability.
☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview did not result in resolution of all issues. A brief summary by the examiner appears in Part II above.

(Examiner/SPE Signature)

(Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature – if appropriate)

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was discussed: Applicant had argued and amended the claims that the prior art does not teach and/or recognized using the ultrasonic generator to ablate the surface of the metal catalyst to generate hydrogen. Since this was argued and amended in claim 1, the examiner requested similar amendment to independent claims 13 and 39 so that claims were commensurate with what had been argued by applicant. Amendment was authorized by applicant's representative by examiner's amendment.